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SENATOR ISGAR FIGHTS TO LOWER PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS

Passage of Senate Bill 22 and 102 will lower drug costs for Southwestern Colorado residents

DENVER—Many of Colorado’s most vulnerable citizens must fight every day to afford prescription drugs that keep them healthy or alive. **Senator Jim Isgar (D-Hesperus)**, today, continued his fight to lower the costs of prescription drugs, so that they are more affordable.

On Senate Third Reading, Senator Isgar voted to pass Senate Bill 22, a measure that will create a preferred drug list. The list would specify the most cost-effective drugs for particular conditions, in order to implement a drug purchasing pool. In conjunction with the pool, the list will make sure that specific needed drugs’ cost be lowered.

“In Southwestern Colorado finding cheaper prescription drugs is a struggle for thousands. That is why I decided to vote in favor of a measure that will provide cheaper preferred drugs for my area’s most vulnerable,” said Senator Isgar.

Colorado was one of only six states that did not have either an operating preferred drug list or one that was pending. Other states have reported substantial savings from implementing preferred drug lists.

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